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## Come Join our Diverse and Dedicated Team

The Washington State Department of Agriculture serves the people of Washington State by supporting the agricultural community and promoting consumer and environmental protection.

The Department employs over 500 employees on a permanent basis and up to 200 additional employees on a nonpermanent basis for various seasonal work load needs in jobs ranging from brand inspectors, grain inspectors, and food safety officers, to computer information consultants and accountants. Offices and employees are located throughout the state.

As a licensed Veterinarian, this position is responsible for public health protection through the control and eradication of livestock diseases, or diseases of captive exotic wildlife or natural wildlife, identification and control of zoonotic diseases, investigation of volatile residues, or the detection and prevention of pathogenic microorganisms in animal food products. Performs individual and herd examinations, establishes quarantines, and investigates animal welfare complaints. Investigates violations of laws pertaining to livestock and poultry diseases and assists in prosecution of violators. Provides unbiased information to general public, special interest groups, media, etc., on animal husbandry practices.

We offer:

- ✚ 11 Paid Holidays
- ✚ Sick and Vacation Leave
- ✚ Retirement
- ✚ Health, Dental and Vision
- ✚ Life and Long Term Disability
- ✚ (Optional) Dependent Care Assistance and Deferred Compensation Programs
- ✚ Free Training
- ✚ Tuition Reimbursement
- ✚ Employee Recognition
- ✚ And Much More



## Washington State Department of Agriculture

### Epidemiologist 2 (non-medical) Veterinary Medical Officer

Range 67 \$5136 - \$6741 per month

**This position works out of their home. Position covers Okanogan, Chelan, Douglas, Kittitas and Grant County**

*Ideal Applicant to live in surrounding area.*

**DUTIES:** Reviews current livestock disease research reports and recommends new practices and procedures. Act as the lead for unassigned cooperative agreements (CA) that may be acquired by the department; If not assigned as lead, be comfortable with all CA activities to support the mission of the agency. Keep all Animal Health personnel informed of updates on the progress of any disease outbreak in this state.

- ✚ Collects field samples as need to support Animal Services Program and Cooperative Agreements.
- ✚ Acts as Liasion between the State Veterinarian and Livestock groups.
- ✚ Acts as expert resource to the Food Safety Program.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Doctor of Veterinary Medicine from an accredited veterinary college. 3 years experience in food animal practice, preference given to advanced degrees or board certification. Active license to practice veterinary medicine in Washington State or eligibility to do so. USDA accreditation necessary.

### CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

- ✚ Work 40 hours in a work week
- ✚ 40% of time in office setting (home) and 60% field work
- ✚ Applicant must be capable of performing the essential duties of the position with or without accommodation.
- ✚ Must be able to work in inclement weather conditions and work in an industrial or animal setting, negotiate wet or uneven surfaces, loud noises, and strong odors and maintain safety awareness/precautions.
- ✚ Must be able to work a flexible schedule with the possibility of extended hours.
- ✚ Must be able to travel with occasional overnight stays.
- ✚ Valid Driver's License

### HOW TO APPLY – DO NOT APPLY THROUGH CAREERS.WA.GOV

- ✚ Send a letter describing your interest in this position including how your knowledge, skills and abilities meet the qualifications and requirements
- ✚ Send an application (<http://www.dop.wa.gov/Pages/forms.aspx>) showing employment history, experience and education.
- ✚ Three professional references with current telephone numbers

Send full packet no later than **March 31 2010** to:

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